

STATE OF IOWA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE: INTERSTATE POWER AND LIGHT COMPANY	DOCKET NO. RFU-03-2 (RPU-02-7)
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**ORDER GRANTING INTERVENTION AND MODIFYING
PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE**

(Issued August 19, 2003)

On June 16, 2003, Interstate Power and Light Company (IPL) filed a refund plan for the disposition of insurance recoveries associated with former manufactured gas plant (FMGP) sites. The refund plan was filed to comply with the “Final Decision and Order” in Docket No. RPU-02-7, IPL’s most recent gas rate case. IPL proposes that it be allowed to retain the insurance recoveries as reimbursement for FMGP remediation costs it has incurred. The refund plan has been identified as Docket No. RFU-03-2.

On July 23, 2003, the Board issued an order docketing the refund plan, establishing a procedural schedule for the filing of direct testimony, and setting a hearing date. On July 29, 2003, MidAmerican Energy Company (MidAmerican) filed a petition to intervene in this proceeding. MidAmerican states that issues of regulatory policy may arise that will affect MidAmerican's interests and as another rate-regulated utility its interests are unique and cannot be fully represented by existing parties.

The Board will grant MidAmerican intervention pursuant to 199 IAC 7.2(7) "d"(2). MidAmerican as a rate regulated utility has an interest in the issues in this proceeding that may not be fully represented by the other parties. The procedural schedule will be modified to accommodate the participation of MidAmerican.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. The "Petition To Intervene" filed by MidAmerican Energy Company on July 29, 2003, is granted.
2. The procedural schedule in this docket is modified as follows:
 - a. Interstate Power and Light Company shall file prefiled direct testimony, with underlying workpapers and exhibits, on or before August 18, 2003.
 - b. The Consumer Advocate Division of the Department of Justice and MidAmerican Energy Company shall file rebuttal testimony, with underlying workpapers and exhibits, on or before September 12, 2003.
 - c. The Consumer Advocate Division of the Department of Justice and MidAmerican Energy Company shall file cross-rebuttal testimony on or before September 19, 2003.
 - d. Interstate Power and Light Company shall file its surrebuttal testimony, with underlying workpapers and exhibits, on or before September 29, 2003.

d. A hearing shall be held beginning at 10 a.m. on October 29, 2003, for the purpose of receiving testimony and the cross-examination of all testimony. The hearing shall be held in the Utilities Board Hearing Room, 350 Maple Street, Des Moines, Iowa. The parties shall appear one-half hour prior to the time of the hearing for the purpose of marking exhibits. Persons with disabilities requiring assistive services or devices to observe or participate should contact the Utilities Board at (515) 281-5256 in advance of the scheduled date to request that appropriate arrangements be made.

e. The parties may file simultaneous initial briefs on or before November 12, 2003.

3. In the absence of objection, all underlying workpapers shall become a part of the evidentiary record of these proceedings at the time the related testimony and exhibits are entered into the record.

UTILITIES BOARD

/s/ Diane Munns

/s/ Mark O. Lambert

ATTEST:

/s/ Judi K. Cooper _____
Executive Secretary

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 19th day of August, 2003.